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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 10-13, and 15.

Please add the following new claims:

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16. (New) A primer composition comprising:
an ester; and
a stabilized methyl ethyl ketone peroxide catalyst consisting essentially of methyl ethyl ketone peroxide and a sufficient amount of solvent to stabilize the methyl ethyl ketone peroxide, wherein the solvent is selected from ethyl acetate, methyl acetate, t-butyl acetate, or mixtures thereof;
wherein the primer composition has a shelf life of over 6 months.
17. (New) The primer composition of claim 16 wherein the ester is selected from polyester, vinyl ester, vinyl polyester, or mixtures thereof.
18. (New) The primer composition of claim 16 wherein the amount of the ester is between 20% and 40% by weight.
19. (New) The primer composition of claim 16 wherein the amount of methyl ethyl ketone peroxide is between 1% and 5% by weight.
20. (New) The primer composition of claim 16 wherein the amount of methyl ethyl ketone peroxide is between 5% and 20% by weight.
21. (New) A method of making a stabilized primer composition comprising:
mixing methyl ethyl ketone peroxide with a sufficient amount of solvent to form a stabilized methyl ethyl ketone peroxide catalyst having a shelf life of over 6 months,

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wherein the solvent is selected from ethyl acetate, methyl acetate, t-butyl acetate, or mixtures thereof; and

adding the stabilized methyl ethyl ketone peroxide catalyst to a primer composition to form the stabilized primer composition, wherein the stabilized primer composition has a shelf life of over 6 months.

22. (New) The method of claim 21 wherein the amount of methyl ethyl ketone peroxide is between 1% and 5% by weight.

23. (New) The method of claim 21 wherein the amount of methyl ethyl ketone peroxide is between 5% and 20% by weight.

24. (New) A stabilized methyl ethyl ketone peroxide catalyst consisting essentially of:

methyl ethyl ketone peroxide; and

a sufficient amount of a solvent to stabilize the methyl ethyl ketone peroxide to form the stabilized methyl ethyl ketone peroxide catalyst, the solvent selected from ethyl acetate, methyl acetate, t-butyl acetate, or mixtures thereof, wherein the stabilized methyl ethyl ketone peroxide catalyst has a shelf life of over 6 months.

25. (New) The stabilized methyl ethyl ketone peroxide catalyst of claim 24 wherein the amount of methyl ethyl ketone peroxide is between 1% and 5% by weight.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 10-13, and 15 were pending. Claims 1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 10-13, and 15 have been canceled, and new claims 16-25 have been added. As a result of this amendment, claims 16-25 are pending. Reexamination and reconsideration are requested in light of the accompanying amendments and remarks.